

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend Page 1 of the Specification so that the paragraph spanning lines 6-14 reads as follows:

The present invention relates to apparatus and method for controlling a stepping motor, and an image reading apparatus, and more particularly, it relates to a technique regarding speed-up and speed-down (hereinafter “acceleration/deceleration”) and fixed speed control of a stepping motor used in an original conveyance controlling apparatus of a facsimile, an original reading sensor shift controlling apparatus of a copying machine or a sheet feed controlling apparatus of a printer.